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'Cuban Diplomats Also Red Agents'

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A man who recently quit Fidel Castro's foreign service said here Monday that "Cuban diplomats in Latin America are Communist agents of subversion."

Hugo Bell Huertas said he and the entire Cuban legation at Baghdad, Iraq, defected from Castro communism in December. Bell was a member of the first school of diplomats trained by the Castro regime.

The 28-year-old Bell said he received his "Russian" diplomatic training in the famous "Minas del Frio" camp in Cuba's Sierra Maestra mountains.

Bell once served as secretary of the Cuban delegation to the Organization of American States (OAS). He said he was the first member of his class to be given a diplomatic assignment abroad. He was later named secretary to the legation

that the government was *ministre*.

"I wanted to leave the diplomatic service and I when I was sent to the O he said. "But they kept wife in Cuba. It was only I was sent to Baghdad she was able to accom me. Then I defected with entire legation."

He said that there are commercial relations bet Cuba and Iraq and that Cuban delegation was kept Baghdad for political purp. He said Russian penetratio Iraq officialdom is similar that in Cuba.

Bell said diplomats tra by the Castro regime are mitted to rigorous phys training and that the e selected for assignment in L American get special instrum as Communist agents.

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